

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: C-14J

March 30, 2012

CONFIDENTIAL SETTLEMENT COMMUNICATION SUBJECT TO F.R.E. 408

Joseph D. Lonardo Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP 1909 K Street NW Suite 900 Washington, D.C. 20006-1152

RE:

Trinity Superfund Site (Cleveland, Ohio)

Settlement Agreement for Recovery of Past Costs

Dear Mr. Lonardo:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") case team now has preliminary approval for the Trinity Administrative Order on Consent ("AOC") by the appropriate persons at both EPA and the Department of Justice ("DOJ"). I am now sending you a final version of the AOC for signature by Standex. Please return the completed signature page to me at your earliest convenience. When I receive the Standex signature page, the AOC will be sent for final approval by the appropriate persons at both EPA and DOJ. As you know, the AOC is also subject to public comment, which will occur after final approval is given for the AOC.

Please contact me immediately if you have any concerns or questions regarding this letter. I can be reached at (312) 886-5825.

Sincerely yours,

Catherine Garypie

Associated Regional Counsel

cc: C. Rojko, USDOJ

Attachment

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 5

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IN THE MATTER OF:) SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT	→
) FOR RECOVERY OF PAST	
) RESPONSE COSTS	
Trinity Superfund Site)	
Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio	U.S. EPA Region 5	
) CERCLA Docket No	
Standex International Corporation)	
SETTLING PARTY) PROCEEDING UNDER SECT	ION
) 122(h)(1) OF CERCLA	
) 42 U.S.C. § 9622(h)(1)	

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I. JURISDICTION

- 1. This Settlement Agreement is entered into pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") by Section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9622(h)(1), which authority has been delegated to the Regional Administrators of the EPA by EPA Delegation No. 14-14-D and redelegated to the Director of the Superfund Division by EPA Region 5 Delegation No. 14-14-D.
- 2. This Settlement Agreement is made and entered into by EPA and Standex International Corporation ("Settling Party"). The Settling Party consents to and will not contest EPA's authority to enter into this Settlement Agreement or to implement or enforce its terms.

II. BACKGROUND

- 3. This Settlement Agreement concerns the Trinity Superfund Site ("Site") located in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. EPA alleges that the Site is a "facility" as defined by Section 101(9) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(9).
- 4. In response to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at or from the Site, EPA undertook response actions at the Site pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604. These actions included but were not limited to securing piles of crushed concrete at the Site and removing materials containing elevated levels of PCBs from areas located along the western edge of the Site property (including off-site soils at the adjacent residential property).
- 5. In performing response action, EPA has incurred response costs at or in connection with the Site.
- 6. EPA alleges that the Settling Party is a responsible party pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a), and is jointly and severally liable for response costs incurred or to be incurred at or in connection with the Site.
- 7. EPA and the Settling Party recognize that this Settlement Agreement has been negotiated in good faith and that this Settlement Agreement is entered into without the admission or adjudication of any issue of fact or law.

III. PARTIES BOUND

8. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon EPA and upon Settling Party and its successors, and assigns. Any change in ownership or corporate or other legal status of the Settling Party, including but not limited to, any transfer of assets or real or personal property, shall in no way alter the Settling Party's responsibilities under this Settlement Agreement. Each signatory to this Settlement Agreement certifies that he or she is authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement and to bind legally the party represented by him or her.

IV. DEFINITIONS

9. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Settlement Agreement, terms used in this Settlement Agreement that are defined in CERCLA or in regulations promulgated under CERCLA shall have the meanings assigned to them in CERCLA or in such regulations. Whenever terms listed below are used in this Settlement Agreement or its appendices, the following definitions shall apply:

"CERCLA" shall mean the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-6975.

"Day" or "day" shall mean a calendar day. In computing any period of time under this Settlement Agreement, where the last day would fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or federal or state holiday, the period shall run until the close of business of the next working day.

"Effective Date" shall mean the effective date of this Settlement Agreement as provided by Section XVIII (Effective Date).

"EPA" shall mean the United States Environmental Protection Agency and its successor departments, agencies, or instrumentalities.

"EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund" shall mean the Hazardous Substance Superfund established by the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 9507.

"Interest" shall mean interest at the rate specified for interest on investments of the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund established by 26 U.S.C. § 9507, compounded annually on October 1 of each year, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a). The applicable rate of interest shall be the rate in effect at the time the interest accrues. The rate of interest is subject to change on October 1 of each year.

"Paragraph" shall mean a portion of this Settlement Agreement identified by an Arabic numeral or an upper or lower case letter.

"Parties" shall mean EPA and Settling Party.

"Past Response Costs" shall mean all costs, including but not limited to direct and indirect costs, that EPA or the U.S. Department of Justice on behalf of EPA has paid at or in connection with the Site from the start of U.S. EPA activities at the Site to June 4, 2008 and from October 2, 2009 to December 31, 2010, plus accrued Interest on all such costs through such date.

"RCRA" shall mean the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901-6992 (also known as the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act).

"Section" shall mean a portion of this Settlement Agreement identified by a Roman numeral.

"Settlement Agreement" shall mean this Settlement Agreement for Recovery of Past Response Costs under Section 122(h)(1) of CERCLA and Appendix A. In the event of conflict between this Settlement Agreement and Appendix A, the Settlement Agreement shall control.

"Settling Party" shall mean Standex International Corporation.

"Site" shall mean the Trinity Superfund Site, encompassing approximately 5 acres, located at 9203 Detroit Avenue in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and generally shown on the map included in Appendix A.

"United States" shall mean the United States of America and each department, agency, and instrumentality of the United States, including EPA.

V. PAYMENT OF RESPONSE COSTS

- 10. Payment by Settling Party for Past Response Costs. Within 30 days after the Effective Date, Settling Party shall pay to EPA \$110,000, plus an additional sum for Interest on that amount calculated from March 23, 2011 through the date of payment.
 - 11. Payment by Settling Party shall be made to EPA by one of the following methods:
 - a. Fedwire Electronic Funds Transfer ("EFT"):

Payment shall be made by Settling Party to EPA at:

Federal Reserve Bank of New York

ABA = 021030004

Account = 68010727

SWIFT address = FRNYUS33

33 Liberty Street

New York NY 10045

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and shall reference Site/Spill ID Number B5JK and the EPA docket number for this action.

b. ACH payment:

Payment shall be made by Settling Party to EPA by Automated Clearinghouse ("ACH") to:

PNC Bank 808 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20074 Contact – Jesse White 301-887-6548 ABA = 051036706 Transaction Code 22 - checking Environmental Protection Agency Account 310006 CTX Format

and shall reference Site/Spill ID Number B5JK and the EPA docket number for this action.

c. online payment:

Payment shall be made by Settling Party to EPA at https://www.pay.gov to the U.S. EPA account in accordance with instructions to be provided to Settling Party by EPA.

d. official bank check:

Payment shall be made by Settling Party to EPA by official bank check made payable to "EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund." Each check, or a letter accompanying each check, shall identify the name and address of the party making payment, the Site name, Site/Spill ID Number B5JK, and the EPA docket number for this action, and shall be sent to:

US Environmental Protection Agency Superfund Payments Cincinnati Finance Center PO Box 979076 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

12. At the time of payment, Settling Party shall send notice that payment has been made to EPA in accordance with Section XIV (Notices and Submissions), and to the EPA Cincinnati Finance Office by email at acetsreceivable.cinwd@epa.gov, or by mail to:

EPA Cincinnati Finance Office 26 Martin Luther King Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45268

Such notice shall reference Site/Spill ID Number B5JK and the EPA docket number for this action.

13. The total amount to be paid by Settling Party pursuant to Paragraph 10 shall be deposited by EPA in the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund.

VI. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

14. <u>Interest on Late Payments</u>. If Settling Party fails to make any payment required by Paragraph 10 by the required due date, Interest shall continue to accrue on the unpaid balance through the date of payment.

15. Stipulated Penalty.

- a. If any amounts due to EPA under Paragraph 10 (Payment by Settling Party for Past Response Costs) are not paid by the required date, Settling Party shall be in violation of this Settlement Agreement and shall pay to EPA, as a stipulated penalty, in addition to the Interest required by Paragraph 14, \$5,000 per violation per day that such payment is late.
- b. Stipulated penalties are due and payable within 30 days after the date of demand for payment of the penalties by EPA. All payments to EPA under this Paragraph shall be identified as "stipulated penalties," shall reference Site/Spill ID Number B5JK and the EPA docket number for this action, and payment shall be made by Settling Party to EPA shall be made to EPA by Fedwire Electronic Funds Transfer ("EFT"): to

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and shall reference Site/Spill ID Number B5JK and the EPA docket number for this action.

c. At the time of payment, Settling Party shall send notice that payment has been made to the following:

Catherine Garypie. Associate Regional Counsel Multi-Media Branch II, Section 2
Office of Regional Counsel
U.S. EPA Region 5
77 West Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60604
PH: (312) 886-5825

Joseph Fredle, On-Scene Coordinator Emergency Response Branch #1, Emergency Response Section #1 Superfund Division U.S. EPA Region 5 25089 Center Ridge Road Westlake, OH 44145 PH: (440) 250-1740

Dale Meyer, Chief

Regional Comptroller Branch Resource Management Division U.S. EPA Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604 PH: (312) 886-7561

and

EPA Cincinnati Finance Office 26 Martin Luther King Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45268

Such notice shall reference Site/Spill ID Number B5JK and the EPA docket number for this action.

- d. Penalties shall accrue as provided in this Paragraph regardless of whether EPA has notified Settling Party of the violation or made a demand for payment, but need only be paid upon demand. All penalties shall begin to accrue on the day after payment. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall prevent the simultaneous accrual of separate penalties for separate violations of this Settlement Agreement.
- 16. In addition to the Interest and Stipulated Penalty payments required by this Section and any other remedies or sanctions available to EPA by virtue of Settling Party's' failure to comply with the requirements of this Settlement Agreement, if the Settling Party fails or refuses to comply with the requirements of this Settlement Agreement, it shall be subject to enforcement action pursuant to Section 122(h)(3) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9622(h)(3). If the United States, on behalf of EPA, brings an action to enforce this Settlement Agreement, Settling Party shall reimburse the United States for all costs of such action, including but not limited to costs of attorney time.
- 17. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, EPA may, in its unreviewable discretion, waive payment of any portion of the stipulated penalties that have accrued pursuant to this Settlement Agreement. Payment of stipulated penalties shall not excuse Settling Party from payment as required by Section V (Payment of Response Costs) or from performance of any other requirements of this Settlement Agreement.

VII. COVENANTS BY EPA

18. Covenants for Settling Party by EPA. Except as specifically provided in Section VIII (Reservations of Rights by EPA), EPA covenants not to sue or take administrative action against Settling Party pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a), to recover Past Response Costs. These covenants shall take effect upon receipt by EPA of the payment required by Paragraph 10 (Payment by Settling Party for Past Response Costs) and any Interest or stipulated penalties due thereon under Paragraph 14 (Interest on Late Payments) or 15 (Stipulated Penalty). These covenants are conditioned upon the satisfactory performance by Settling Party of its obligations under this Settlement Agreement. These covenants extend only to Settling Party and do not extend to any other person.

VIII. RESERVATIONS OF RIGHTS BY EPA

- 19. EPA reserves, and this Settlement Agreement is without prejudice to, all rights against Settling Party with respect to all matters not expressly included within the Covenants for Settling Party by EPA in Paragraph 18. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Settlement Agreement, EPA reserves, and this Settlement Agreement is without prejudice to, all rights against Settling Party with respect to:
- a. liability for failure of Settling Party to meet a requirement of this Settlement Agreement;
- b. liability for costs incurred or to be incurred by the United States that are not within the definition of Past Response Costs;
- c. liability for injunctive relief or administrative order enforcement under Section 106 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9606;
 - d. criminal liability; and
- e. liability for damages for injury to, destruction of, or loss of natural resources, and for the costs of any natural resource damage assessments.
- 20. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement is intended to be nor shall it be construed as a release, covenant not to sue, or compromise of any claim or cause of action, administrative or judicial, civil or criminal, past or future, in law or in equity, that the United States may have against any person, firm, corporation or other entity not a signatory to this Settlement Agreement.

IX. COVENANTS BY SETTLING PARTY

- 21. <u>Covenants by Settling Party</u>. Settling Party covenants not to sue and agrees not to assert any claims or causes of action against the United States, or its contractors or employees, with respect to Past Response Costs and this Settlement Agreement, including but not limited to:
- a. any direct or indirect claim for reimbursement from the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund based on Sections 106(b)(2), 107, 111, 112, or 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606(b)(2), 9607, 9611, 9612, or 9613, or any other provision of law;
- b. any claims arising out of the response actions at the Site for which the Past Response Costs were incurred, including any claim under the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of Ohio, the Tucker Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1491, the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, or at common law; and
- c. any claim pursuant to Section 107 or 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607 or 9613, Section 7002(a) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6972(a), or state law for Past Response Costs.

- 22. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be deemed to constitute approval or preauthorization of a claim within the meaning of Section 111 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9611, or 40 C.F.R. 300.700(d).
- 23. <u>Claims Against De Micromis Parties</u>. Settling Party agrees not to assert any claims and to waive all claims or causes of action (including but not limited to claims or causes of action under Sections 107(a) and 113 of CERCLA) that it may have for all matters relating to the Site against any person where the person's liability to Settling Party with respect to the Site is based solely on having arranged for disposal or treatment, or for transport for disposal or treatment, of hazardous substances at the Site, or having accepted for transport for disposal or treatment of hazardous substances at the Site, if all or part of the disposal, treatment, or transport occurred before April 1, 2001, and the total amount of material containing hazardous substances contributed by such person to the Site was less than 110 gallons of liquid materials or 200 pounds of solid materials.
- 24. The waiver in Paragraph 23 shall not apply with respect to any defense, claim, or cause of action that Settling Party may have against any person meeting the above criteria if such person asserts a claim or cause of action relating to the Site against such Settling Party. This waiver also shall not apply to any claim or cause of action against any person meeting the above criteria if EPA determines:
- a. that such person has failed to comply with any EPA requests for information or administrative subpoenas issued pursuant to Section 104(e) or 122(e) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9604(e) or 9622(e), or Section 3007 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6972, or has impeded or is impeding, through action or inaction, the performance of a response action or natural resource restoration with respect to the Site, or has been convicted of a criminal violation for the conduct to which this waiver would apply and that conviction has not been vitiated on appeal or otherwise; or
- b. that the materials containing hazardous substances contributed to the Site by such person have contributed significantly, or could contribute significantly, either individually or in the aggregate, to the cost of response action or natural resource restoration at the Site.

X. EFFECT OF SETTLEMENT/CONTRIBUTION

25. Except as provided in Paragraphs 23 and 24 (Claims Against De Micromis Parties), nothing in this Settlement Agreement shall be construed to create any rights in, or grant any cause of action to, any person not a Party to this Settlement Agreement. Except as provided in Section IX (Covenants by Settling Party), each of the Parties expressly reserves any and all rights (including, but not limited to, pursuant to Section 113 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9613), defenses, claims, demands, and causes of action that each Party may have with respect to any matter, transaction, or occurrence relating in any way to the Site against any person not a Party hereto. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement diminishes the right of the United States, pursuant to Section 113(f)(2) and (3) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9613 (f)(2)-(3), to pursue any such persons

to obtain additional response costs or response action and to enter into settlements that give rise to contribution protection pursuant to Section 113(f)(2).

- 26. The Parties agree that the actions undertaken by Settling Party in accordance with this Settlement Agreement do not constitute an admission of any liability by the Settling Party. The Settling Party does not admit, and retains the right to controvert in any subsequent proceedings other than proceedings to implement or enforce this Settlement Agreement, the validity of the facts or allegations contained in Section II (Background) of this Settlement Agreement.
- 27. The Parties agree that this Settlement Agreement constitutes an administrative settlement for purposes of Sections 113(f)(2) and 122(h)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9613(f)(2) and 9622(h)(4), and that the Settling Party is entitled, as of the Effective Date, to protection from contribution actions or claims as provided by Sections 113(f)(2) and 122(h)(4) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9613(f)(2) and 9622(h)(4), or as may be otherwise provided by law, for "matters addressed" in this Settlement Agreement. The "matters addressed" in this Settlement Agreement are Past Response Costs. The Parties further agree that this Settlement Agreement constitutes an administrative settlement for purposes of Section 113(f)(3)(B) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9613(f)(3)(B), pursuant to which the Settling Party has, as of the Effective Date, resolved its liability to the United States for Past Response Costs.
- 28. The Settling Party shall, with respect to any suit or claim brought by it for matters related to this Settlement Agreement, notify EPA in writing no later than 60 days prior to the initiation of such suit or claim. The Settling Party also shall, with respect to any suit or claim brought against it for matters related to this Settlement Agreement, notify EPA in writing within 10 days after service of the complaint or claim upon it. In addition, the Settling Party shall notify EPA within 10 days after service or receipt of any Motion for Summary Judgment and within 10 days after receipt of any order from a court setting a case for trial, for matters related to this Settlement Agreement.
- 29. In any subsequent administrative or judicial proceeding initiated by EPA, or by the United States on behalf of EPA, for injunctive relief, recovery of response costs, or other relief relating to the Site, the Settling Party shall not assert, and may not maintain, any defense or claim based upon the principles of waiver, *res judicata*, collateral estoppel, issue preclusion, claim-splitting, or other defenses based upon any contention that the claims raised in the subsequent proceeding were or should have been brought in the instant case; provided, however, that nothing in this Paragraph affects the enforceability of the covenant by EPA set forth in Section VII (Covenants by EPA).
- 30. Effective upon signature of this Settlement Agreement by the Settling Party, the Settling Party agrees that the time period commencing on the date of its signature and ending on the date EPA receives from the Settling Party the payment required by Section V (Payment of Response Costs) and, if any, Section VI (Failure to Comply with Settlement Agreement) shall not be included in computing the running of any statute of limitations potentially applicable to any action brought by the United States related to the "matters addressed" as defined in Paragraph 27, and that, in any action brought by the United States related to the "matters

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addressed," the Settling Party will not assert, and may not maintain, any defense or claim based upon principles of statute of limitations, waiver, laches, estoppel, or other defense based on the passage of time during such period. If EPA gives notice to the Settling Party that it will not make this Settlement Agreement effective, the statute of limitations shall begin to run again commencing 90 days after the date such notice is sent by EPA

XI. ACCESS TO INFORMATION

- 31. Settling Party shall provide to EPA, upon request, copies of all records, reports, or information (including records, reports, documents, and other information in electronic form) (hereinafter referred to as "Records") within its possession or control or that of its contractors or agents relating to activities at the Site or to the implementation of this Settlement Agreement, including, but not limited to, sampling, analysis, chain of custody records, manifests, trucking logs, receipts, reports, sample traffic routing, correspondence, or other documents or information related to the Site.
 - 32. Confidential Business Information and Privileged Documents.
- a. Settling Party may assert business confidentiality claims covering part or all of the Records submitted to EPA under this Settlement Agreement to the extent permitted by and in accordance with Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(7), and 40 C.F.R. § 2.203(b). Records determined to be confidential by EPA will be accorded the protection specified in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. If no claim of confidentiality accompanies Records when they are submitted to EPA, or if EPA has notified Settling Party that the Records are not confidential under the standards of Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA or 40 C.F.R. Part 2 Subpart B, the public may be given access to such Records without further notice to Settling Party.
- b. Settling Party may assert that certain Records are privileged under the attorney-client privilege or any other privilege recognized by federal law. If Settling Party asserts such a privilege in lieu of providing Records, it shall provide EPA with the following: (1) the title of the Record; (2) the date of the Record; (3) the name, title, affiliation (e.g., company or firm), and address of the author of the Record; (4) the name and title of each addressee and recipient; (5) a description of the subject of the Record; and (6) the privilege asserted. If a claim of privilege applies only to a portion of a Record, the Record shall be provided to EPA in redacted form to mask the privileged information only. Settling Party shall retain all Records that it claims to be privileged until the United States has had a reasonable opportunity to dispute the privilege claim and any such dispute has been resolved in the Settling Party's favor. However, no Records created or generated pursuant to the requirements of this Settlement Agreement shall be withheld on the grounds that they are privileged or confidential.
- 33. No claim of confidentiality or privilege shall be made with respect to any data, including but not limited to, all sampling, analytical, monitoring, hydrogeologic, scientific, chemical, or engineering data, or any other documents or information evidencing conditions at or around the Site.

XII. RETENTION OF RECORDS

- 34. Until ten (10) years after the Effective Date, Settling Party shall preserve and retain all non-identical copies of Records (including records in electronic form) now in its possession or control, or that come into its possession or control, that relate in any manner to response actions taken at the Site or to the liability of any person under CERCLA with respect to the Site, regardless of any corporate retention policy to the contrary.
- After the conclusion of the 10-year document retention period in the preceding Paragraph, Settling Party shall notify EPA at least 90 days prior to the destruction of any such Records and, upon request by EPA, Settling Party shall deliver any such Records to EPA. Settling Party may assert that certain Records are privileged under the attorney-client privilege or any other privilege recognized by federal law. If Settling Party asserts such a privilege, it shall provide EPA with the following: (1) the title of the Record; (2) the date of the Record; (3) the name, title, affiliation (e.g., company or firm), and address of the author of the Record; (4) the name and title of each addressee and recipient; (5) a description of the subject of the Record; and (6) the privilege asserted. If a claim of privilege applies only to a portion of a Record, the Record shall be provided to EPA in redacted form to mask the privileged information only. Settling Party shall retain all Records that it claims to be privileged until EPA has had a reasonable opportunity to dispute the privilege claim and any such dispute has been resolved in Settling Party's favor. However, no Records created or generated pursuant to the requirements of this Settlement Agreement shall be withheld on the grounds that they are privileged or confidential.
- 36. The Settling Party certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, after thorough inquiry, it has not altered, mutilated, discarded, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of any Records (other than identical copies) relating to its potential liability regarding the Site since the earlier of notification of potential liability by the United States or the State or the filing of suit against it regarding the Site and that it has fully complied with any and all EPA requests for information regarding the Site pursuant to Sections 104(e) and 122(e) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9604(e) and 9622(e), and Section 3007 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6927.

XIII. NOTICES AND SUBMISSIONS

37. Whenever, under the terms of this Settlement Agreement, notice is required to be given or a document is required to be sent by one Party to another, it shall be directed to the individuals at the addresses specified below, unless those individuals or their successors give notice of a change to the other Parties in writing. Written notice as specified in this Section shall constitute complete satisfaction of any written notice requirement of this Settlement Agreement with respect to EPA and the Settling Party.

As to EPA:

Catherine Garypie. Associate Regional Counsel Multi-Media Branch II, Section 2 Office of Regional Counsel U.S. EPA Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604 PH: (312) 886-5825

Joseph Fredle, On-Scene Coordinator Emergency Response Branch #1, Emergency Response Section #1 Superfund Division U.S. EPA Region 5 25089 Center Ridge Road Westlake, OH 44145 PH: (440) 250-1740

Dale Meyer, Chief Regional Comptroller Branch Resource Management Division U.S. EPA Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604 PH: (312) 886-7561

As to Settling Party:

Stacey S. Constans, Esq. Senior Corporate Attorney Seandex International Corporation 11 Keewaydin Drive, Third Floor Salem, NH 03079

XIV. INTEGRATION/APPENDICES

38. This Settlement Agreement and its appendix constitute the final, complete, and exclusive agreement and understanding among the Parties with respect to the settlement embodied in this Settlement Agreement. The Parties acknowledge that there are no representations, agreements, or understandings relating to the settlement other than those expressly contained in this Settlement Agreement. The following appendices are attached to and incorporated into this Settlement Agreement: "Appendix A" is the map of the Site.

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT

39. This Settlement Agreement shall be subject to a public comment period of not less than 30 days pursuant to Section 122(i) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9622(i). In accordance with Section 122(i)(3) of CERCLA, EPA may modify or withdraw its consent to this Settlement Agreement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that this Settlement Agreement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

XVI. ATTORNEY GENERAL APPROVAL

40. The Attorney General or her designee has approved the settlement embodied in this Settlement Agreement in accordance with Section 122(h)(1) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9622(h)(1).

XVII. EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Settlement Agreement shall be the date upon which EPA issues written notice that the public comment period pursuant to Paragraph 40 has closed and that comments received, if any, do not require modification of or EPA withdrawal from this Settlement Agreement.

IT IS	S SO AGREED:	
	Environmental Protection Agency	
Ву:	Richard C. Karl, Director Superfund Division Region 5	Date

THE UN	NDERSIGNED SET	TLING PARTY enters into this Sett, relat	lement Agreement in the matte ing to the Trinity Superfund
Site, Cle	eveland, Ohio:		
FOR SE	TTLING PARTY:		.
		Standex International Corporation	
		[Address]	
By:	Signature		Date
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Appendix A

Map of Trinity Superfund Site, Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio

